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January 21, 2014

The Honorable Board of Supervisors County of Los Angeles 383 Kenneth Hahn Hall of Administration 500 West Temple Street Los Angeles, California 90012

Dear Supervisors:

REQUEST TO APPROVE ONE-YEAR EXTENSION TO THE
PARTNERING FOR SAFETY AND PERMANENCE – MODEL APPROACH TO PARTNERSHIPS
IN PARENTING TRAINING SERVICES CONTRACTS
(ALL SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICTS) (3 VOTES)

SUBJECT

The Department of Children and Family Services (DCFS) seeks to execute four Partnering for Safety and Permanence – Model Approach to Partnerships in Parenting (PS-MAPP) training contract amendments for a one-year term effective February 1, 2014 through January 31, 2015, in order to complete the solicitation process of a new contract tentatively scheduled to start February 1, 2015. The four contracts are held with The Community College Foundation (TCCF).

IT IS RECOMMENDED THAT THE BOARD:

Delegate authority to the Director of DCFS, or his designee, to prepare and execute contract amendments (substantially similar to that in Attachment I) to extend the four contracts for the provision of PS-MAPP training services effective February 1, 2014 through January 31, 2015. The estimated aggregate Maximum Contract Amount for one additional year is \$1,003,134, financed by 50 percent (\$501,567) Federal revenue, 35 percent (\$351,097) State funds, and 15 percent (\$150,470) net County cost. Funding is included in the 2013-2014 Adopted Budget and will be included in the Department's FY 2014-2015 Budget Request.

PURPOSE/JUSTIFICATION OF RECOMMENDED ACTION

The four current PS-MAPP contracts will expire on January 31, 2014. The recommended action will allow DCFS to continue the provision of PS-MAPP training for prospective resource parents, (foster

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and adoptive) in preparation for the permanent placement with dependent children/youth. The solicitation process for a new contract has been delayed, due to the redesign of PS-MAPP and development of new deliverables and outcomes that will assist resource families to provide temporary and permanent placements for infants, siblings and older dependent youth. A Program redesign was implemented to address DCFS' current need for prospective resource foster parents to obtain more quickly their foster home license and placement approval as well as provide and track in-service training.

<u>Implementation of Strategic Plan Goals</u>

The recommended actions are consistent with the principles of the County of Los Angeles Strategic Plan Goal #1 – Operational Effectiveness: Maximize the effectiveness of process, structure, and operations to support timely delivery of customer-oriented and efficient public service; and Goal #3 – Integrated Services Delivery: Maximize opportunities to measurably improve client and community outcomes and leverage resources through the continuous integration of health, community, and public safety services.

FISCAL IMPACT/FINANCING

The estimated aggregate Maximum Contract Amount for one additional year is \$1, 003,134, financed by 50 percent (\$501,567) Federal revenue and 35 percent (\$351,097) State funds, and 15 percent (\$150,470) net County cost. Funding is included in the Department's FY 2013-2014 Adopted Budget and will be included in the Department's FY 2014-2015 Budget Request.

FACTS AND PROVISIONS/LEGAL REQUIREMENTS

On July 20, 2010, the Board approved four PS-MAPP contracts for a one-year term effective August 1, 2010 through July 31, 2011. Two additional one-year extensions from August 1, 2011 through July 31, 2012, and August 1, 2012 through July 31, 2013 and a six-month extension from August 1, 2013 through January 31, 2014 were executed by the DCFS Director through delegated authority under the adopted Board letter.

California Department of Social Services (CDSS) has approved the additional one-year extension request on response letter dated April 5, 2013.

The PS-MAPP training program for resource (foster/adoptive) parents is designed to provide a firm foundation of knowledge and skill regarding foster care and adoption in their homes. In addition, PS-MAPP prepares prospective resource parents to support the goals of reunification and, when that is not possible, be prepared to provide permanence to a child.

CONTRACTING PROCESS

The Department utilized a Request for Proposals (RFP) solicitation process to seek agencies and organizations to provide services in four (4) Regions that encompass two (2) Service Planning Areas (SPAs) each [North (SPAs 1 & 2), East (SPAs 3 & 4), West (SPAs 5 & 6), South (SPAs 7 & 8)]. Contractors interested in providing services were required to submit separate proposals for each Region for which services were being proposed which demonstrated their ability to provide services

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for DCFS.

CONTRACTOR PERFORMANCE

The Contractor has sufficiently met performance standards to recommend contract extensions. Contractor is responsive in providing training services to prospective resource parents

DCFS has determined that the Living Wage Program (County Code Chapter 2.201) does not apply to the recommended Contract.

This Contract does not include a provision for cost of living increases.

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IMPACT ON CURRENT SERVICES (OR PROJECTS)

Approval of the one-year extension will allow the Department to continue to provide training to prospective resource parents to provide a firm foundation of knowledge, skills and attitudes regarding foster care and adoption and to enhance the ability of foster and adoptive parents to care for the children placed in their homes.

CONCLUSION

Upon Board approval, the Executive Officer, Board of Supervisors, is requested to return one adopted stamped Board Letter to DCFS.

Respectfully submitted,

PHILIP L. BROWNING

Director

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Enclosures

c: Chief Executive Officer County Counsel Executive Officer, Board of Supervisors



AMENDMENT NUMBER ONE

PARTNERING FOR SAFETY AND PERMANENCE – MODEL APPROACH TO PARTNERSHIPS IN PARENTING

CONTRACT NUMBER XX-XXX-XX

WITH

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AMENDMENT NUMBER ONE PARTNERING FOR SAFETY AND PERMANENCE – MODEL APPROACH TO PARTNERSHIPS IN PARENTING CONTRACT NUMBER XX-XXX-XX

This Amendment Number One ("Amendment") to the Partnering for Safety and Permanence – Model Approach to Partnerships in Parenting ("Contract") adopted by the Board of Supervisors on July 20, 2010, is made and entered into by and between County of Los Angeles ("COUNTY"), and The Community College Foundation ("CONTRACTOR"), this _____ day of ______, 2014.

WHEREAS, COUNTY and CONTRACTOR are parties to the Contract and CONTRACTOR has been providing Partnering for Safety and Permanence – Model Approach to Partnerships in Parenting (PS-MAPP) services to the COUNTY; and

WHEREAS, the Department of Children and Family Services exercised delegated authority to extend the contract term for six (6) months from August 1, 2013 through January 31, 2014; and

WHEREAS, on April 5, 2013, the California Department of Social Services approved the COUNTY's request to further extend the term of the existing Contracts for an additional one-year period, from February 1, 2014, through January 31, 2015; and

WHEREAS, the Contract Sum is amended to include the one-year extension period contract amount; and

WHEREAS, another purpose of this Amendment is to amend Section 32.0 Indemnification; and

WHEREAS, another purpose of this Amendment is to add a paragraph regarding Contractor Alert Reporting Database (CARD) as required by the County; and

WHEREAS, this Amendment is prepared pursuant to the provisions set forth in Section 7.0, Standard Terms and Conditions, Change Notices and Amendments; and

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of the foregoing and mutual consent herein contained, COUNTY and CONTRACTOR hereby agree to amend the Contract as follows:

- 1. Section 3.0, TERM AND TERMINATION, Sub-section 3.2.1 is added to read as follows:
 - 3.2.1 The term of the Contract shall be extended for twelve (12) additional months, effective February 1, 2014 through January 31, 2015 unless terminated earlier as provided herein.
- **2. Section 4.0, CONTRACT SUM,** is amended to read as follows:
 - 4.1 The Maximum Contract Sum for this Contract is \$X,XXX,XXX.

For First Period through 07/31/11	\$XXX,XXX
For Period 08/01/11 – 07/31/12	\$XXX,XXX
For Period 08/01/12 – 07/31/13	\$XXX,XXX
For Period 08/01/13 – 01/31/14	\$XXX,XXX
For Period 02/01/14 – 01/31/15	\$XXX,XXX

- **3. Exhibit A-2,** Line Item Budget for February 1, 2014 through January 31, 2015, is attached hereto and made part of Exhibit A, Line Item Budget.
- **4. Section 32.0, INDEMNIFICATION**, is amended to read as follows:
 - 32.0 The Contractor shall indemnify, defend and hold harmless the County, its Special Districts, elected and appointed officers, employees, agents and volunteers ("County Indemnitees") from and against any and all liability, including but not limited to demands, claims, actions, fees, costs and expenses (including attorney and expert witness fees), arising from and/or relating to this Contract, except for such loss or damage arising from the sole negligence or willful misconduct of the County Indemnitees.
- 5. Section 62.0, CONTRACTOR ALERT REPORTING DATABASE (CARD) is added to read as follows:
 - 62.0 The COUNTY maintains databases that track/monitor contractor performance history. Information entered into such databases may be used for a variety of purposes, including determining whether the COUNTY will exercise a contract term extension option.

ALL OTHER TERMS AND CONDITIONS OF THIS CONTRACT SHALL REMAIN IN FULL FORCE AND EFFECT.

AMENDMENT NUMBER ONE TO PARTNERING FOR SAFETY AND PERMANENCE - MODEL APPROACH TO PARTNERSHIPS IN PARENTING CONTRACT NUMBER XX-XXX-XX

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the Board of Supervisors of the County of Los Angeles has caused this Amendment Number One to be subscribed on its behalf by the Director of the Department of Children and Family Services and the CONTRACTOR has caused this Amendment Number One to be subscribed on its behalf by its duly authorized officer(s) as of the day, month and year first above written. The person(s) signing on behalf of the CONTRACTOR warrants under penalty of perjury that he or she is authorized to bind the CONTRACTOR in this Contract.

COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES

	PHILIP L. BROWNING, Director Department of Children and Family Services
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APPROVED AS TO FORM:	
BY THE OFFICE OF COUNTY COUNSEL JOHN F. KRATTLI, COUNTY COUNSEL	
BY	Counsel